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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at line 13 on page 10 as follows:

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Please amend the paragraph at line 31 on page 10 as follows:

SEQ ID NO:17 6C12 variable-light heavy chain (protein) sequence

Please amend the paragraph at line 35 on page 10 as follows:

SEQ ID NO:21 7F3 variable-light heavy chain (protein) sequence

Please amend the paragraph at page 12, lines 4-5 as follows:

The hybridoma which produces the monoclonal antibody designated 7F3 was deposited on 6 November 2000 with ECACC under accession number 00110609 (European Collection of Cell Cultures (ECACC), Porton Down, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 0JG, United Kingdom).

Please amend the paragraph at page 12, lines 7-8 as follows:

The hybridoma which produces the monoclonal antibody designated 6C12 (6C12 M12) was deposited on 2 September 2002 with ECACC under accession number 02090226 (European Collection of Cell Cultures (ECACC), Porton Down, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 0JG, United Kingdom).

Please amend the paragraph at page 12, lines 10-11 as follows:

The hybridoma which produces the monoclonal antibody designated 12D4 (12D4-P9) was deposited on 2 September 2002 with ECACC under accession number 02090227 (European Collection of Cell Cultures (ECACC), Porton Down, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 0JG, United Kingdom).

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Please amend the paragraph at page 12, lines 13-19 as follows:

These deposits were made under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purpose of Patent Procedure and the Regulations thereunder. This assures maintenance of viable cultures for 30 years from the date of deposit and for at least five (5) years after the most recent request for the furnishing of a sample of the deposit received by the depository or for the enforceable life of the patent, whichever is longer. The organisms will be made available by ECACC under the terms of the Budapest Treaty which assures permanent and unrestricted availability of the progeny of the culture to the public upon issuance of the pertinent patent.